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TAGS: SREF, MC, HK, US

SUBJ: MACAU TRANSIT CENTER

REF: STATE 138458

1. IF USG PREPARED TO FUND CONSTRUCTION AND INSTILLATION OF WATER  
AND POWER, PROGRAM FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF MACAU HOLDING CENTER  
FOR UP TO 5,000 PERSONS IS, IN CONGEN OPINION, FEASIBLE.

FOLLOWING SHOULD BE NOTED BY DEPT:

(A) DUE TO TYPHOON SEASON (SUMMER THROUGH MID-AUTUM) AND  
SEASONAL COLD DAMP WEATHER (DEC. THROUGH FEB.), TENT  
CAMP NOT SUITABLE. FOR CONTINUING PROGRAM, QUONSET TYPE  
BARRACKS WITH COTS IS SUGGESTED FOR PROPOSED HOLDING  
CENTER.

(B) CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICE (CRS) IS ONLY LOCAL MACAU  
VOLAG AND HAS CLOSE RELATIONSHIP WITH MACAU  
GOVT. CONSEQUENTLY, USCC IS LOGICAL VOLAG TO  
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UNDERTAKE CAMP MANAGEMENT. LOCAL VOLAG WOULD  
REQUIRE AUGMENTATION BY USCC.

2. WE BELIEVE THAT MACAU GOVT WOULD BE RECEPTIVE TO  
PROPOSED HOLDING CENTER AND THAT HONG KONG GOVT WOULD  
COOPERATE IN EXTENDING TRANSIT FACILITIES THROUGH  
HONG KONG.

3. CONGEN UNABLE MAKE COST ESTIMATE WITHOUT CONTACTING  
MACAU GOVT FOR ON-SITE INSPECTIONS. FOOD AND MAINTENANCE  
PROBABLY WOULD BE US\$2.00 DAILY PER REFUGEE, WHICH SUM  
CRS CHARGED UNHCR LAST YEAR FOR BOAT REFUGEES.

4. MACAU COULD TEMPORARILY ACCOMMODATE AT LEAST 300 REFUGEES  
IN EXISTING CHURCH RELATED FACILITIES UNTIL PERMANENT  
SITE ESTABLISHED.  
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